

April 17, 2000

Mr. Jeff S. Jordan Supervisory Attorney Central Enforcement Docket Federal Election Commission Washington, DC 20463

Re: MUR 4995

Dear Mr. Jordan:

I am in receipt of your letter dated April 12, 2000.

And, yes... it would appear that United Snacks, Inc. did in fact violate FEC regulations by writing a check for \$250.00 to Anthony Weiner's congressional campaign in 1998. But, I can assure you that the violation was inadvertent.

During this period of time, I was not active with the company and our Vice President, Alejandro Rad was the acting President. Mr. Rad is Argentinian and a language barrier may have contributed to this mistake. Mr. Rad was invited to a fundraiser by a third party, Mr. Dan Rossi. Mr. Rossi told Mr. Rad that corporate checks are not acceptable, however Mr. Rad heard that they were acceptable.

The problem came to our attention last year when we received a letter from Weiner's campaign indicating that the check was received in error and that the funds would be returned. However, we never received the funds.

Mr. Rad regrets the mistake. He is an honest small businessman who was unfamiliar with U.S. election law. He certainly had no intention of purposefully circumventing FEC regulations. Please accept this as a truthful explanation of the circumstances leading to the violation and take it into consideration when determining any penalty or enforcement action. Thank you.

Sincerely.

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